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TITLE OF INVENTION: COMMUNICATION RECEIVER WITH HYBRID EQUALIZER

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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1. ☑ This communication is responsive to <u>8/4/2009 RCE</u> .					
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 40,41 and 43-65.					
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DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 8/4/2009 has been entered.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 2. Claims 40, 41, 43-65 are allowed.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.
 - □ The prior art fails to teach an apparatus of Claims 40, 43, 46 and 50 that specifically comprises the following:
 - -- The instant application is deemed to be directed to a non-obvious improvement over the admitted prior art of the instant application and the invention patented in Pat. No. US 5,852,630 and WO 02/09305.

The improvement comprises:

With regard Claim 40, "wherein said wireless communication channel metrics are channel speed metrics" as recited in combination with other limitation in claim 40,

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With regard Claim 43, "wherein said comparing includes comparing one of said first and second metrics to a biased version of the other of said first and second metrics." as recited in combination with other limitation in claim 43,

With regard Claim 46, "wherein said one mode of data reception is a periodically activated test mode in which the RAKE processing element and the equalizer are enabled for operation concurrently." as recited in combination with other limitation in claim 46, and

With regard Claim 50, "said controller making said determination based on a comparison of a first metric associated with said RAKE processing element to a second metric associated with said equalizer; wherein said first mode of data reception is defined by a first combination of respective operational states of the RAKE processing element and the equalizer; wherein said second mode of data reception is defined by a second combination of respective operational states of the RAKE processing element and the equalizer; and wherein said first combination of operational states differs from said second combination of operational states." as recited in combination with other limitation in claim 50.

4. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

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accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ted M. Wang whose telephone number is (571) 272-3053. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

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/Ted M Wang/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2611